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Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1 and 3-7 are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the claims are

allowed since the prior art of SISSON teaches away from using a melt-blowing method. Refer to

Final Office action mailed on 2/22/08.

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1484. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 8:00-5:00 pm and alternate

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

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